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THE COVER

This year's cover drawing showing Stratham landmarks is the original work of a local resident.



We Dedicate This Annual Report To Ralph D. Parkman

THE TOWN REPORT OF 1964 for Stratham, N. H., is respectfully, affectionately, and gratefully dedicated to RALPH D. PARKMAN in recognition of his many years of service to the Town of Stratham: —

<i>Tax Collector</i>	32 Years
<i>Trustee of the</i>	
<i>Trust Funds</i>	15 Years
<i>Town Auditor</i>	6 Years
<i>Treasurer of the</i>	
<i>School District</i>	17 Years

YOUR 1963 ANNUAL REPORT— BEST IN NEW HAMPSHIRE . . . AND NEW ENGLAND!

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03824

November 2, 1964

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
Public Administration Service
Department of Government

Mrs. Frances J. Bradford
Town Clerk
Stratham, New Hampshire

Dear Mrs. Bradford:

It is a pleasure to notify you that the 1963 report of Stratham has been awarded first place in the 1964 Municipal Reports Contest. The certificates of award will be presented at the Banquet of the Annual Meeting of the New Hampshire Municipal Association on Tuesday evening November 17. The meeting will be in the Highway Hotel in Concord. We hope a representative of your community will be present to receive the certificate on behalf of the town.

Your report will now be entered in the New England contest. To do this we would appreciate it if you would send three copies of the report to: Miss Pat Stuart, Institute of Public Service, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut. Miss Stuart is conducting the New England contest for the top winners from all six states.

Our congratulations on a truly fine annual report.

Very truly yours,

S. Kenneth Howard
S. Kenneth Howard
Assistant Professor

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W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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=MRS FRANCES J BRADFORD=

TOWN CLERK STRATHAM NHAMP=

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT STRATHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE HAS BEEN GIVEN AN OUTSTANDING MERIT AWARD IN CLASS III CATEGORY (POPULATION 1,000-2,500) OF THE 20TH ANNUAL NEW ENGLAND MUNICIPAL REPORTS CONTEST SPONSORED BY THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL IN COOPERATION WITH THE NEW ENGLAND STATES AND MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION STOP AWARDS DINNER IS PLANNED FOR MARCH 15 IN BOSTON STOP MORE DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED LATER STOP=

EVERETT WARE SMITH PRESIDENT NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL==

OFFICERS, THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, N.H.

Board Of Selectmen

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR. RICHARD G. SCAMMAN
ROBERT T. WIGGIN

Trustees Of The Trust Funds

JAMES I. SCAMMAN GEORGE BROWN
FREDERICK W. ORDWAY, JR.

Library Trustees

HELEN L. GOWEN CHARLOTTE HUTTON
ISABEL H. COLWELL

Police Department

THOMAS J. O'LEARY, *Chief*
ROBERT S. BERRY RICHARD SCAMMAN RUSSELL CHAPMAN

Representative To General Court

NELSON E. BARKER

Moderator

G. DOUGLAS ROSS

Town Clerk

FRANCES J. BRADFORD

Tax Collector

RALPH D. PARKMAN

Treasurer

LESLIE C. SCAMMON

Board of Health

DR. HENRY SALTONSTALL

Supervisors Of Checklist

DONALD L. BARKER OLIVE B. CALEF EVELYN BARKER

Park Commission

GEORGE BROWN ABNER R. MARSH HENRY BURKE

Planning Board

CHRISTOPHER T. ROWE
JAMES PEIRCE NELSON BARKER JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.
FRANK PERKINS

Board Of Adjustments

RODNEY SANDERSON RICHARD GALLANT RUDOLPH BUME
JOHN FRENCH NELSON BARKER

Auditors

JOSEPHINE SCAMMAN FRANCIS WIGGIN

Highway Agent

DAVID NOYES

Library Treasurer

LESLIE C. SCAMMON

Fire Chief

JAMES I. SCAMMAN

Building Inspector

ROBERT S. BERRY

Civil Defense Director

ROBERT CORBIN

YOUR WARRANT - TO BE ACTED ON AT TOWN MEETING MARCH 9



To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Stratham on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at eight of the clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

PLANNING BOARD

Stratham, New Hampshire

Draft of Articles to be Included in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting on March 9, 1965

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

A. To omit Article III, Section C and insert in lieu of it the following Section C of Article III:

1. Except as provided in Paragraph 4 of this Section, the removal of clay, sod, loam, sand, gravel, and stone may be permitted, but only subject to the issuance of a permit by the Board of Selectmen and subject to the following provisions:

- a. The Board of Selectmen shall hold a public hearing on the application for a permit.
- b. The Property Owner shall file with the Board of Selectmen with the application an adequate plan showing existing topography, proposed depths of cut, and final topography.

c. In the event that a permit is granted, the Property Owner may be required to post a performance bond, in a penal sum determined by the Board of Selectmen, to insure that the premises be left in slightly condition and be protected against erosion.

d. No permit shall be issued for a period of more than two years after which period the Board of Selectmen may, after a Public Hearing, renew the permit for successive periods of not more than two years providing that all conditions of the first permit have been met.

2. In evaluating applications, the Board of Selectmen shall be governed by the following considerations:

- a. Proof that suitable material is available in the area in which removal is proposed.
- b. Removal of clay, sod, loam, sand, gravel, or stone will not be detrimental to neighboring properties.
- c. The effect of trucking into and from the area and resultant dust conditions on highways and roads.
- d. The elevation of the bottom of the proposed excavation with respect to **existing** road grades and surrounding terrain.
- e. Future drainage in the general area in which the removal is proposed.
- f. Set-back from existing roads.

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3. In the event of denial of an application for permit, the Board of Selectmen shall give their reasons for denial to the applicant in writing.

4. Removal of clay, sod, loam, sand, gravel, and stone for the purposes of or in connection with the construction of a building for which a building permit has been issued, or for grading on the same site with the material removed, shall not require a permit under this Section.



b. Signs may not be positioned so as to obstruct or be a hazard to traffic on a highway or traffic entering or leaving the premises.

c. Spotlights and floodlights in conjunction with signs which produce glare are not permitted.

d. A special permit must be obtained from the Board of Selectmen for any sign having an area in excess of forty square feet.

e. All signs, or any portion thereof, shall not be erected at a height more than 30 feet above the ground.

f. Signs permitted in the Residential-Agricultural District also permitted in the Commercial District.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

A. To omit Article III, Section E and insert in lieu of it the following Section E of Article III:
Property Owners shall be permitted to erect signs on their premises subject to the following provisions:

1. Residential-Agricultural District

a. No more than two identification signs, not larger than six square feet each, indicating the name and profession and/or occupation of the Property Owner are permitted. If lighted, these signs shall be illuminated with white light by indirect methods only.

b. Unlighted signs, not larger than forty square feet each, offering premises for sale or lease may be erected on the same premises.

c. One unlighted sign of a tradesman, not larger than six square feet, erected during the period such person is performing work on the premises on which such sign is erected is permitted.

d. All signs, or any portion thereof, shall be set back at least ten feet from any property line.

2. Commercial District

a. Only signs which identify a business or advertise services and commodities available on the premises are permitted.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

A. To omit Article III, Section F, Paragraph 4 and insert in lieu of it the following Section G of Article III:

No building or land shall hereafter be used and no building or part thereof shall be erected, moved, or altered except in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

By adding after Article IV, Section E, the following new Sections F, G, and H to read as follows:

F. Single-family, two-family, and three-family residences including accessory buildings and buildings for agricultural purposes are permitted in this District.

G. Convalescent and nursing homes comprising not more than twenty habitable rooms, Churches, Schools, playgrounds, parks, golf courses, and tennis courts are permitted in this District.

H. Adequate off-street parking facilities, subject to the ap-

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proval of the Board of Selectmen, must be provided for all uses permitted in this District.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

To amend Article IVA, Section B by omitting after the words "Lodging houses" the words "apartment houses" so that Article IVA, Sections B as amended shall read: "Lodging houses, hotels, motels, including such retail businesses within these permitted buildings as are conducted for the convenience of residents and guests."

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

To amend Article IX, Section A by omitting the sentence "Permits may be renewed by the Board of Adjustment for successive periods of not more than one year each" so that Article IX, Section A as amended shall read: "Permit a nonconforming temporary use for an initial period of not more than two years."

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

To omit Article IX, Section C and insert in lieu of it the following Section C of Article IX:

Permit in the Residential-Agricultural District an extension or enlargement of nonconforming commercial or industrial uses existing prior to March 13, 1962 which, at a public hearing, proves it can meet the following requirements:

1. It shall not be detrimental to neighboring properties by reason of the production or omission of odor, smoke, dust, refuse matter, fumes, noise vibration, or similar conditions.
2. It conforms to the requirements of Article IVA, Sections H, I, and J.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance adopted at the special Town Meeting held June 10, 1959 as follows:

By adding after Article XIV, Section H, the following new Sections I, J, K, and L to read as follows:

I. Lot. A lot is any undivided parcel of land in legal separate ownership or any part thereof designated by its Owner or Owners as a separate lot.

J. Side Yard. An unoccupied space extending for the full length of a building between the building and the side lot line.

K. Back Yard. A space, unoccupied, extending for the full width of the lot between the extreme rear line of a building and the rear lot line.

L. Accessory Building. A building subordinate to the main building and customarily incidental to the main purpose of such building.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of ninety-three hundred dollars (\$9,300.00) for the construction of Class V roads, said sum to be raised by the sale of the Town's notes or bonds, and to delegate to the Selectmen all matters of form, rates of interest, dates of payment and the sale of said notes or bonds, and to appoint any committees or pass any other votes necessary in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$16,000.00 to purchase a new fire truck, said sum to be raised by the sale of the Town notes or bonds, the same to be paid over a period of not more than 6 years; matters of form, rates of interest, dates of issue and date of payment to be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purpose of defraying the preliminary expenses of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the town in 1966, and to authorize the Selectmen to pay over this sum to a voluntary corporation to be formed under the laws of

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the State of New Hampshire to be entitled "Town of Stratham 250th Anniversary Committee" of which the Selectmen or a majority of them shall be members, and to authorize the use of the name of the Town of Stratham in this corporate name.

ARTIVLE 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to allow 1% discount on such property taxes as are paid by August 15, or within 30 days from the day upon which the Tax Warrant is committed to the collector, which ever is later, the date to be printed on the Tax Bill.

ARTICLE 16. A petition by Edward Rogalski and 17 others to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 (two thousand) for the purpose to reevaluate and reassess all taxable property in the Town of Stratham, N. H. The money to be used to buy all necessary cards, books and filing systems to make and keep permanent records of all taxable properties, their value and the name of their owners, and to compensate all persons employed in field work to list all properties and to

the Selectmen for extra work to assess the full value and enter all data in the proper books and forms.

ARTICLE 17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

The polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the lower Town Hall to elect Town Officers, and to act upon Articles 3 through 10. The discussion and action on the other articles in the Warrant at 8 p.m. in the upper Town Hall.

Given under our hands and seal, this fifteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five.

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.
RICHARD G. SCAMMAN
ROBERT T. WIGGIN
Selectmen of Stratham

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.
RICHARD G. SCAMMAN
ROBERT T. WIGGIN
Selectmen of Stratham

YOUR TOWN'S BUDGET FOR 1964 -

Sources Of Revenue

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965. Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1964	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1964	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1965				
From State:				Town Poor Recovery		3,528.50	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 4,241.61	\$ 4,000.00	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	9,000.00	10,543.67	10,000.00
Railroad Tax		6.86		Sale of Town Prop., Cemetery Lots		80.00	
Savings Bank Tax	200.00	282.54	250.00	Miscellaneous	100.00	106.69	100.00
Reimbursement a/c T.R.A.	1,528.95	1,528.95	1,517.60	From Local Taxes Other Than			
Head Tax Rebate		20.32		Property Taxes:			
From Local Sources Except Taxes :				(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2.00	700.00	718.00	700.00
Dog Licenses	400.00	566.50	500.00	(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	2.00		
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	5.00	13.00	10.00	(c) Yield Taxes	100.00	134.00	100.00
Rent of Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	100.00	90.00	100.00				
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	500.00	548.63	500.00	Total Revenues From All Sources			
Income from Trust Funds		139.88		Except Property Taxes	\$ 19,135.95	\$ 22,768.15	\$ 17,877.60
Income of Departments:				*Amount To Be Raised By			
(a) Highway, incl. rental of equip.		129.00	100.00	Property Taxes			\$173,719.51
(b) Fire Department		90.00		TOTAL REVENUES			\$191,597.11

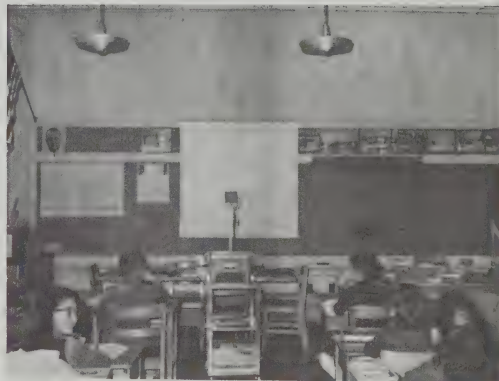
*Total estimated "Revenues from All sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations Previous Year 1964	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1964	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1965				
General Government:				Libraries	1,300.00	1,224.96	1,300.00
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,545.64	\$ 3,500.00	Public Welfare:			
Town Officers' Expenses	1,300.00	1,371.17	1,300.00	Town Poor	1,000.00	6,821.16	1,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	400.00	327.80	100.00	Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	1,034.65	2,000.00
Expenses Town Hall				Patriotic Purposes:			
And Other Town Buildings	1,500.00	1,904.00	2,500.00	Memorial Day & Veterans' Assoc.	85.00	70.00	85.00
Protection of Persons and Property:				Recreation:			
Police Department	1,500.00	1,395.02	1,500.00	Parks & Playground, incl. Band Concerts	100.00	247.58	100.00
Fire Department	1,200.00	1,350.98	1,200.00	Public Service Enterprises:			
Insurance	1,200.00	1,433.88	1,200.00	Cemeteries	125.00	125.00	125.00
Planning and Zoning	75.00	69.76	75.00	Advertising & Regional Associations	100.00	100.00	100.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	400.00	373.50	400.00	Interest:			
Health:				On Temporary Loans		93.75	
Vital Statistics	35.00	16.00	35.00	On Long Term Notes & Bonds	400.00	316.80	200.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	800.00	1,308.23	800.00	Highways and Bridges:			
Highways and Bridges:				State Aid Construction—Town's Share	229.34	229.34	227.64
Town Maintenance—Summer	5,000.00	6,110.47	6,000.00	Payment on Principal of Debt:	3,070.66	3,300.00	3,300.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	5,000.00	5,343.66	5,000.00	County Taxes	5,111.35	5,446.47	5,446.47
Street Lighting	700.00	825.07	775.00	School Taxes	156,354.00	101,890.88	153,328.00
				Total Expenditures	\$191,485.35	\$146,883.67	\$191,597.11

YOUR BUDGET COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,300.00
Election and Registration	100.00
Town Hall, etc.	2,500.00
Police Department	1,500.00
Fire Department	1,200.00
Insurance	1,200.00
Planning and Zoning	75.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	400.00
Vital Statistics	35.00
Town Dump	800.00
Highway Department:	
Summer	6,000.00
Winter	5,000.00
Street Lighting	775.00
Libraries	1,300.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00
Memorial Day	85.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
Cemeteries	125.00
Advertising and Regional Association	100.00
State Aid Construction	227.60
Interest	200.00
Long Term Notes	3,300.00
County Tax	5,446.47
Total	\$38,269.07



School Department's new overhead projector

WALTER A. SCAMMAN
 RICHARD GALLANT
 LAURENCE E. FOSS
 JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.

RICHARD G. SCAMMAN
 ROBERT T. WIGGIN
 HENRY SALTONSTALL, M.D.

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

For Year Ending December 31, 1964

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes — Current Year — 1964	\$ 96,164.11
Poll Taxes — Current Year — 1964	718.00
Yield Taxes — 1964	134.40
State Head Taxes at \$5 — 1964	2,295.00

Total Current Taxes collected and remitted \$ 99,311.51

Property Taxes and Yield Taxes — Previous Years	20,843.87
Poll Taxes — Previous Years	170.00
State Head Taxes at \$5 — Previous Years	610.00
Interest received on Taxes	548.63
Penalties on State Head Taxes	65.50
Tax sales redeemed	2,076.65

From State:

For Town Road Aid	1,528.95
Interest and Dividends Tax	4,241.61
Railroad Tax	6.86
Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	282.54
Reimbursement a/c State Head Tax	20.32

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	566.50
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	13.00
Fire Department	90.00

Rent of Town Property, Town Hall	90.00
Income from trust funds — Park	139.88
Income from departments — Highway	129.00
Town Poor Recovery	3,528.50
Motor Vehicle Permits	
1963—\$	278.25
1964—\$	10,199.35
1965—\$	66.07

\$10,543.67

10,543.67

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	15,000.00
Bond — Crestview Terrace	4,890.00
Insurance adjustments	12.68
Refunds — Unity Club	15.00
Telephone Company	33.84
Sale of Town Property — Cemetery Lots	80.00
Miscellaneous	45.17

Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue

\$ 20,076.69

Total Receipts from All Sources

\$164,883.68

Cash on hand, January 1, 1964

57,322.91

GRAND TOTAL

\$222,206.59

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,545.64
Town Officers' Expenses	1,371.17
Election and Registration expenses	327.80
Expenses Town Hall and other Town Buildings	1,904.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	1,395.02
Fire Department, including forest fires	1,350.98
Planning and Zoning	69.76
Insurance	1,433.88

Health:

Vital Statistics	16.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	1,308.23

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance — Summer	\$6,110.47
Town Maintenance — Winter	\$5,343.66

	11,454.13
Street Lighting	825.07

Libraries:

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	1,034.65
Town Poor	6,821.16

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations	70.00
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Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	247.58
Cemeteries ,including hearse hire	125.00

Unclassified

Damages and Legal Expenses	373.50
Advertising and Regional Associations	100.00

Taxes bought by town	2,070.99
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	179.96

Total Current Maintenance Expenses \$ 37,249.48

Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	93.75
Paid on long term notes	316.80

Total Interest Payments \$ 410.55

Outlay for New Construction, Equipment

And Permanent Improvements:

Well - Fire House - Library	1,245.44
Construction - Library	1,225.25
Construction - Crestview Road	4,125.78
New Equipment - Highway - Snowplow	875.00

Total Outlay Payments \$ 7,471.47

Indebtedness:

Payments on Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes	15,000.00
Payments on long term notes	3,300.00

Total Indebtedness Payments \$ 18,300.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid State Treas.	2,725.57
Taxes paid to County	5,446.47
Payments to School Districts	82,520.81

Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions \$ 90,692.85

Total Payments for All Purposes \$154,124.35

Cash on Hand December 31, 1964 68,082.24

GRAND TOTAL \$222,206.59

Due to recent legislation, libraries all over the United States have been forced to meet new and increasingly higher standards, and we in Stratham are therefore doing all we can to improve our own library.

This past year water was brought into the building, a toilet was installed, also a sink with formica counter; sliding doors were built into the check-out desk, and the entire floor refinished. An inside Bulletin Board has been set up, and signs have been made and installed identifying the various sections. A four-door legal size file, with locks, has been purchased and put to use to hold valuable historical material. Paint has been purchased, and will presently be put on the walls. We have already started on the cleaning of the basement.

We are still working on the re-filing and re-cataloguing, and have it about 80% completed. When this task is finished, anyone should be able to quickly locate any book or any subject matter wanted.

Our circulation during the year was 2,050 books of fiction, 770 of non-fiction, and 2,116 juveniles — a total of 4,936 books.

New books added during the year include 104 fiction and 82 non-fiction, and we received 21 gift books.

The Bookmobile visited us five times during the year. From it we borrowed 1,456 books. Each time the Bookmobile comes, we endeavor to select books that our readers want, and suggestions from the reading public are welcomed. Any specific book can be secured at any time by petition to the librarian, a little

Report Of Library Treasurer:

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1964	\$309.33
INCOME:	
Emma B. Wiggin Fund	\$ 88.01
Edmund B. Lane Fund	51.49
George W. Dixon Fund	51.49
Horace M. Hill Fund	51.49
Amanda Lane Fund	36.05
Mary J. Roberts Fund	10.29
Charles E. Gear Fund	144.14
Interest on Bank Account	13.74
Friends of Library	42.50
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ahead of the time the book is to be needed.

Increased use of the library has been encouraged during the year. Friends of the Library meetings have been held here, as well as the regular meetings of the 250th Anniversary Committee. It has also been the site of much of the copying of valuable historical notes on Stratham history.

We have held several exhibits during the year: an interesting exhibit of old-fashioned kitchen utensils was put on by the Friends of the Library; an art exhibit by James Peabody; and a Pinewood Racer exhibit by the Stratham Cub Scouts. An outdoor exhibit of camping equipment is about to be displayed on the library grounds by the Boy Scouts.

The Friends of the Library have been active, having given us a clock, and helped with many otherwise tedious jobs. At present they are working on our new drapes.

Gifts include the following: from Mr. Ridgely Marsh, an excellent framed picture of Mrs. Annie Scammon, whose family gave the library, and who served on the Board from the time of its building until her death 52 years later; from Mrs. Burke, a reading table and a brass bowl; from the P.T.A., a book-drop; from Mr. Gerald Batchelder, the plastic outdoor sign above the book-drop; from Mr. Nelson Barker, labor on the refinishing of the children's table; from the Boy Scouts and the Ladies Auxiliary, magazine subscriptions; and from Mr. Richard Gallant, material for window drapes.

We are very grateful and appreciative of all these gifts, and we would like to encourage everyone in town to use the library as fully as possible.

PAID OUT:	
Nelson E. Barker	\$ 45.00
Literary Guild	14.35
Demco Library Supplies	36.00
Durham Historic Association	4.50
Goodman's Bookstore	545.30
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	\$645.15
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1964	153.38
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	\$798.53

LIBRARIAN: Gladys Chapman

TRUSTEES: Helen F. L. Gowen, Charlotte M. Hutton,
Isabel H. Colwell

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

WHERE THE HIGHWAY DOLLAR WAS SPENT

DAVID NOYES
Agent

Summer:

Resurfacing Roads	\$3,632.75
Road Repair Material	959.40
Parts and Repair	407.72
Equipment Hire	440.88
Labor	605.89
Fuel	45.43
Utilities	18.40
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	\$6,110.47

Winter:

Salt	\$1,323.35
Equipment Hire	2,095.43
Labor	874.81
Parts and Repair	438.71
Fuel	192.66
Road Repair Materials	371.60
Utilities	29.20
Telephone	2.65
Postage	1.00
Meals	14.25
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	\$5,343.66

— AUDITOR'S REPORT —

We have examined the books of the Selectmen
and found they were properly balanced.

JOSEPHINE SCAMMAN
FRANCIS WIGGIN
Auditors 1964





Frances J. Bradford, Town Clerk

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

AUTO PERMITS:

1963 PERMITS	\$ 278.25
1964 PERMITS	10,199.35
1965 PERMITS	66.07

\$10,543.67

DOG LICENSES:

566.50

FILING FEES:

13.00

TOTAL:

\$11,123.17

Paid to Leslie C. Scammon, Treasurer

\$11,123.17

FRANCES J. BRADFORD, *Town Clerk*

Inventory Of Town Property

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	800.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Department, Equipment	500.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	20,000.00

Highway Department, Lands and Building	6,500.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	5,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	150,000.00
Equipment	4,000.00

TOTAL

\$247,300.00

YOUR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

— AT WORK IN 1964

OPERATION OFFICERS:

JAMES SCAMMAN, Chief
FRED HUTTON, First Asst. Chief
DAVID NOYES, Second Asst. Chief
CHRISTOPHER ROWE, Captain
DONALD BARKER, Lieutenant
EARL BARKER, Steward



ASSOCIATION OFFICERS:

JOHN FRENCH, President
ROBERT BERRY, Vice President
NELSON BARKER, Treasurer
JAMES STUART, Secretary

The Stratham Volunteer Fire Department was called out twenty-five times this past year. Most of these calls were small grass and woods fires or the dump was burning out of control. We had a very serious barn fire, at which we were lucky in having an ample water supply near enough to minimize the damage.

During the very dry summer, the department periodically checked the water holes around town. They were found very low and some were dry.

The Fire Department has tried to correct this with an article in the warrant this year.

FINANCIAL REPORT — February 1, 1964 to February 1, 1965

Balance in hands of Treas.,		Expenses	
Feb. 1, 1964	\$ 52.96	State Firemen's Association	\$ 72.00
Savings Acct, Feb. 1, 1964	787.75	Fire House Maintenance	33.56
Interest on Sav. Acct.	30.77	Social Activities	102.58
Dues	116.00	Fire Equipment	103.00
Burning & other services	125.00	Flowers	16.00
Finance Committee	143.24	Miscellaneous	16.00
Auxiliary (for Indian pumps)	90.00	Savings Acct., Feb. 1, 1965	1,317.94
Supper and Auction	275.40	Balance in hands of Treas., February 1, 1965	322.75
Horse Show	289.66		
Refreshment Committee	32.05		
Gloves and Badges	12.00		
Card Party	29.00		
		NELSON E. BARKER, Treasurer	
			\$1,983.83
	\$1,983.83		

NELSON E. BARKER, Treasurer

James Scamman, Chief

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

LESLIE C. SCAMMON

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1964	\$ 57,322.91
Received from:	
Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector	
1964 Property Tax	\$96,168.01
1964 Poll Tax	719.20
1964 Yield Tax	134.40
1964 Head Tax	2,298.50
1963 Property Tax	21,331.24
1963 Poll Tax	189.81
1963 Yield Tax	36.50
1963 Head Tax	671.50
1962 Property Tax	.35
Redemptions:	
1964 Tax Sales	1,346.35
1963 Tax Sales	135.87
1962 Tax Sales	594.43
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	\$123,626.16
Francis Bradford, Town Clerk:	
Auto Permits	\$10,543.67
Dog Licenses	566.50
Filing Fees	13.00
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	\$ 11,123.17
David Noyes, Highway Agent:	
Plowing Driveways	\$ 129.00
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	\$ 129.00

State of New Hampshire:	
T.R.A.	\$ 1,528.95
Interest and Dividends	4,241.61
Savings Bank Tax	282.54
Reimbursement, Head Tax	20.32
Railroad Tax	6.86
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	\$ 6,080.28
Miscellaneous:	
Fire Department	\$ 90.00
Insurance Adjustment & Dividend	12.68
Overpayment, Portsmouth Herald	14.00
Cemetery Lots	80.00
Park Trust Fund	139.88
Unity Club, Christmas Lights	15.00
Bonding Company	4,890.00
Telephone Company	33.84
Reimbursement, Town Officers exp.	15.00
Rent of Town Hall	90.00
Recovery, Town Welfare	3,528.50
Note	15,000.00
Payment stopped 4 checks	16.17
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	\$ 23,925.07
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	\$222,206.59
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	154,124.35
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1964	\$ 68,082.24
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	\$222,206.59

HOW THE BALANCE SHEET LOOKS FOR 1964

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer	\$68,082.24	
Unredeemed taxes:		
Levy of 1964	2,098.79	
Levy of 1963	838.11	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1964	23,877.90	
State Head Taxes — Levy of 1964	775.00	
Total Assets		\$95,672.04
Net Surplus, December 31, 1963	\$14,325.48	
Net Surplus, December 31, 1964	17,740.11	
Increase of Surplus	\$ 3,414.63	

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owned by the Town:		
Crestview Terrace Bond	\$ 764.22	
Due to State:		
State Head Taxes — 1964	963.50	
Yield Tax — Bond & Debt Retirement	8.00	
Due to School Districts:		
Balance of School Tax	70,296.21	
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
T.R.A.	2,000.00	
Fire Truck	3,900.00	
Total Liabilities		\$77,931.93
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)		17,740.11
Grand Total		\$95,672.04

STRATHAM 1964 TAX RATE WAS \$54.00

Of every \$54 collected in Property Taxes in 1964

Schools:	\$43.50
County:	2.50
Town:	8.00
	\$54.00

Lands and Buildings	\$2,048,970.00
Factory Buildings and Land	500.00
Public Utilities — Gas	26,000.00
Public Utilities — Electric	155,900.00
Mature Wood and Timber	1,000.00
Stock in Trade of Merchants	27,500.00
Boats and Launches	400.00
Neat Stock and Poultry	
Dairy Cows — 438	32,850.00
Other Cattle — 33	1,650.00
Poultry — 12,000	3,000.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	900.00
Portable Mills	5,200.00
Road Building and	
Construction Machinery	12,000.00
NET VALUATION ON WHICH	
TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$2,213,520.00
Total Exemption Allowed	\$ 102,350.00
Total Valuation Before	
Exemptions Allowed	\$2,315,870.00

Number of inventories distributed in 1964	447
Number of inventories returned in 1964	250
Number of veterans who received property exemptions	94
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax	148

Name of Company	Gas	Electric
Exeter and Hampton	\$	\$ 56,900.00
Granite State Gas	26,000.00	
N. H. Electric		25,000.00
Public Service of N. H.		74,000.00
TOTAL	\$26,000.00	\$155,900.00

TOTAL VALUE OF PROPERTY IN STRATHAM

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

Town Officers' Salaries:

Auditor's	\$ 60.00
Town Clerk	674.30
Tax Collector	1,571.34
Treasurer	200.00
Selectmen	950.00
Supervisor's of Checklist (2 years)	90.00

\$ 3,545.64

Town Officers' Expenses:

Dues	\$ 16.00
Postage	71.03
Supplies	165.32
Newspaper Notices	46.10
Selectmen's Expenses	130.40
Town Reports	500.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	42.80
Register of Deeds	45.65
Trustees of Trust Funds Expenses	10.00
Treasurer's Expenses	3.80
Tax Collector's Expenses	50.07
Flags for Cemeteries	30.00
Adding Machine	100.00
Typewriter	160.00

\$ 1,371.17

Election and Registration:

Moderators	\$ 40.00
Ballot Clerks	150.00
Meals	80.00
Miscellaneous	35.80
Ballots	22.00

\$ 327.80

Town Hall:

Fuel and Electricity	\$ 716.46
General Repairs and Maintenance	631.53



Stratham Town Hall

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Hot Water Heater	199.50
Electrical Work	356.51
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	\$ 1,904.00
Police Department:	\$ 1,395.02
Fire Department:	
Fuel and Electricity	\$ 377.46
Gasoline, telephone	144.00
Truck Repair	266.86
Equipment	365.63
General Repairs and Maintenance	197.03
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	\$ 1,350.98
Town Dump:	
Fence	\$ 88.60
Caretaker	520.00
Fill and Labor	699.63
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	\$ 1,308.23
Street Lighting:	\$ 825.07
Insurance:	\$ 1,433.88
Vital Statistics:	\$ 16.00
Summer Roads:	\$ 6,110.47
Winter Roads:	\$ 5,343.66
Library:	
Heat and Electricity	\$ 503.09
Librarian	300.00
Janitor and Supplies	53.55
General Repairs and Maintenance	275.70
4 Drawer File	92.62
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	\$ 1,224.96
Old Age Assistance:	\$ 1,034.65
Memorial Day:	
Band and Public Address System	\$ 70.00
Park:	
Electricity	\$ 43.25
General Repairs and Maintenance	61.20
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Rockingham County Soil Conservation	143.13
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	\$ 247.58
Cemeteries:	\$ 125.00
Legal Expenses:	\$ 373.50
Seacoast Regional Association:	\$ 100.00
Planning Board:	
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 11.00
File	58.76
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	\$ 69.76
Taxes Bought By Town	\$ 2,070.99
Interest:	
On Long Term Notes	\$ 316.80
On Temporary Notes	93.75
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	\$ 410.55
Snowplow	\$ 875.00
Town Welfare:	\$ 6,821.16
Firehouse and Library Well:	
Pump	\$ 427.44
Drilling Well and Piping	818.00
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	\$ 1,245.44
Library Construction:	
Peirce Construction Company	\$ 1,225.25
Temporary Loans:	\$ 15,000.00
Long Term Notes:	
Fire Truck	\$1,300.00
T.R.A.	2,000.00
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	\$ 3,300.00
County Tax:	\$ 5,446.47
State of New Hampshire	\$ 2,725.57
School District:	\$ 82,520.81
Discounts and Abatements	\$ 179.96
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TOTAL	\$154,124.35

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of 1964 Warrants Combined

- Dr. -

Taxes Committed to Collector:	
Property Taxes	\$120,232.08
Poll Taxes	984.00
Timber Yield Taxes	182.40
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	\$121,398.48
Added Taxes:	
Property Taxes	\$ 40.50
Poll Taxes	4.00
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	\$ 44.50
Interest Collected:	
On Property Taxes	\$ 3.90
Penalties Collected on Polls	1.20
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	\$ 5.10
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TOTAL DEBITS	\$121,448.08
	- Cr. -
Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property Taxes	\$ 96,164.11
Poll Taxes	718.00
Yield Taxes	134.40
Interest and Penalties	5.10
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	\$ 97,021.61
Discounts Allowed	518.57
Abatements by Selectmen:	
Poll Taxes	30.00
Uncollected Taxes as per list:	

RALPH D. PARKMAN

Property Taxes	\$ 23,589.90
Poll Taxes	240.00
Yield Taxes	48.00
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	\$ 23,877.90

TOTAL CREDITS

\$121,448.08

Summary of 1963 Warrants Combined

- Dr. -

Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1964:	
Property Taxes	\$ 20,996.94
Poll Taxes	188.00
Yield Taxes	36.00
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	\$ 21,220.94
Added Poll Taxes	8.00
Interest Collected During Year:	
On Property Taxes	\$ 523.37
On Poll Taxes	2.81
On Yield Taxes	.50
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	\$ 526.68
Penalties Collected on Poll Taxes	17.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 21,772.62
	- Cr. -
Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property Taxes	\$ 20,807.87
Poll Taxes	170.00
Yield Taxes	36.00
Interest Collected	526.68
Poll Tax Penalties	17.00
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	\$ 21,557.55

Abatement by Selectmen: Poll Taxes	26.00
Uncollected Taxes, December 31, 1964	
Property Taxes	189.07

TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 21,772.62
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Summary of 1962 Warrant

- Dr. -	
Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1964	\$ 74.10
Interest Collected during Year	.35
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 74.45

- Cr. -	
Remittance to Treasurer	\$.35
Uncollected Taxes, December 31, 1964	74.10
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 74.45

Summary of Head Tax Warrants 1964 WARRANT

- Dr. -	
State Head Taxes committed to Collector	\$ 3,150.00
Penalties Collected	3.50
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 3,153.50

- Cr. -	
Remittances to Treasurer:	
Head Taxes	\$ 2,295.00
Penalties	3.50

Abatements by Selectmen	\$ 2,298.50
Uncollected as per list: December 31, 1964	775.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 3,153.50

1963 WARRANT

- Dr. -	
Uncollected Head Taxes, January 1, 1964	\$ 665.00

Head Taxes Added During Year	15.00
Penalties Collected	61.50

TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 741.50
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- Cr. -	
Remittances to Treasurer:	
Head Taxes	\$ 610.00
Penalties	61.50

Abatements by Selectmen	70.00
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 741.50
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Summary of Tax Sales Accounts As Of December 31, 1964

	Tax Sale on	Account of	Levies of
	1963	1962	1961
Taxes Sold to Town during			
Current Fiscal Year	\$2,070.99	\$	\$
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
January 1, 1964		826.94	517.90
Interest Collected after Sale	11.90	7.49	82.62
Redemption Costs and Discharge Fees	14.90	3.68	3.84
Overpayment to Town Treasurer	1.00		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,098.79	\$838.11	\$604.36
- Cr. -			
Remittances to Treasurer During Year	\$1,346.35	\$135.87	\$594.43
Repaid to Purchaser other than Town			7.43
Discharge Fees	9.50	1.00	2.50
Unredeemed Taxes - At Close of Year	742.94	701.24	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,098.79	\$838.11	\$604.36

1964 REPORT STRATHAM

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

	PRINCIPAL		
	Balance 1-1-64	New Funds	Balance 12-31-64
CEMETERY FUNDS	\$13,998.00	\$500.00	\$14,498.00
LIBRARY FUNDS	6,646.10		6,646.10
STRATHAM HILL PARK FUNDS	4,000.00		4,000.00
TOWLE FUND	950.00		950.00
HIGHWAY FUND	5.00		5.00
Totals	\$25,599.10	\$500.00	\$26,099.10

THE ABOVE FUNDS ARE INVESTED AS FOLLOWS . . .

No. Shares	Invested In	
12-31-64		
	Portsmouth Savings Bank Savings Account	\$ 575.00
	Plaistow Co-op Investment Certificates	200.00
	Amoskeag Savings Bank Savings Accounts	955.00
1284	Puritan Fund	10,148.13
217	Broad Street Investing Corporation	3,502.24
634	Investors Selective Fund, Inc.	7,117.98
6	New Hampshire Fire Insurance Common Stock	123.00
30	Chase Manhattan Bank Common Stock	1,000.00
53	National Shawmut Bank Common Stock	2,477.75
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		\$26,099.10

Balance 1-1-64	INCOME		Balance 12-31-64
	1964 Income	1964 Expense	
\$2,190.29	\$ 612.98	\$ 473.22	\$2,330.05
2.95	342.00	344.95	.00
710.58	237.95	469.88	478.65
.00	40.58	40.58	.00
7.19	.53	.00	7.72
\$2,911.01	\$1,234.04	\$1,328.63	\$2,816.42

THE ABOVE BALANCE IS DEPOSITED AS FOLLOWS:

Portsmouth Savings Bank	\$ 37.20
Exeter Cooperative Bank	2,652.34
Amoskeag Savings Bank	7.72
Rockingham National Bank — Checking Account	119.16
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	\$2,816.42

JAMES SCAMMAN,
GEORGE R. BROWN,
FRED ORDWAY, JR.

Trustees of Trust Funds

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them to be
correct as shown.

FRANCIS WIGGIN,
JOSEPHINE SCAMMAN,

Auditors





THE STORY OF EDUCATION IN STRATHAM IN 1964

School Calendar — 1965 - 1966

School	Opens	September 8	(Wednesday)		
	Closes	December 23	(Thursday)	73 days	16 weeks
	Opens	January 3	(Monday)		
	Closes	February 18	(Friday)	35 days	7 weeks
	Opens	February 28	(Monday)		
	Closes	April 22	(Friday)	40 days	8 weeks
	Opens	May 2	(Monday)		
	Closes	June 21	(Tuesday)	36 days	8 weeks
				184 days	39 weeks

ADMINISTRATORS: Stratham School Board

HENRY SALTONSTALL

G. DOUGLAS ROSS

OLIVE B. CALEF

School Treasurer

ELIZABETH B. BATCHELDER

Moderator

WILLIAM P. ROBERTS

Clerk

BERTHA E. PARKS

Auditor

JOSEPHINE SCAMMAN

No School Days:

October 15: NHEA Convention

November 11: Veterans' Day

November 25-26: Thanksgiving Recess

May 30: Memorial Day

THE SCHOOL WARRANT FOR 1965 MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Stratham qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Memorial School in said District on the eighth day of March, 1965, at eight o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To see if the District will create an Area School District planning committee and to elect the members thereof or determine that they shall be appointed by the moderator.

2. To see if the District wishes the committee formed under Article 1 to also study the possibility of a co-operative school district.

3. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to prepay outstanding serial notes dated July 15, 1964, in a sum not to exceed \$10,000.00

4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to employ a part-time physical education teacher for 1965-1966.

5. To see if the District will appoint a committee of 5 to study the feasibility of starting a public kindergarten for the school year 1965-66, and to report at an adjourned School District meeting.

6. To see if the District will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the operation of a public kindergarten.

7. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the district.

8. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stratham this fifteenth day of February 1965.

HENRY SALTONSTALL
G. DOUGLAS ROSS
OLIVE B. CALEF
School Board of Stratham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HENRY SALTONSTALL
G. DOUGLAS ROSS
OLIVE B. CALEF
School Board of Stratham, N. H.

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Stratham qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the ninth day of March 1965, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock in the morning and 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon for the following purposes:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose an Auditor for the coming year.

Given under our hands at said Stratham this fifteenth day of February, 1965.

HENRY SALTONSTALL
G. DOUGLAS ROSS
OLIVE B. CALEF
School Board of Stratham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

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OLIVE B. CALEF
School Board of Stratham, N. H.

SCHOOL BUDGET —WHERE YOUR EDUCATIONAL DOLLAR GOES

	Expendi- tures 1963-64	Adopted Budget 1964-65	Proposed Budget 1965-66		Expendi- tures 1963-64	Adopted Budget 1964-65	Proposed Budget 1965-66
Administration:				Maintenance of Plant:			
Salaries of District Officers	\$ 255.00	\$ 260.00	\$ 260.00	Replacement of Equipment		100.00	
Contracted services	15.00	25.00	25.00	Repairs to Equipment	152.86		
Other expenses of Dist. Officers	158.96	90.00	70.00	Contracted services of maintenance	708.02	650.00	1,000.00
Instruction:				Other expenses of maintenance	149.62	25.00	25.00
Salary of Principal	700.00	800.00	800.00	Fixed Charges:			
Salaries of Supervisors	1,550.00	1,600.00	1,775.00	Teachers' Retirement	1,958.22	2,265.00	2,120.00
Salaries of Teachers	37,165.00	42,600.00	39,600.00	F.I.C.A.	954.88	1,080.00	1,002.00
Textbooks	1,147.28	990.00	900.00	Insurance	713.47	868.00	787.00
Audiovisual and Library	564.51	130.00	230.00	School Lunch and/or School Milk:			
Teaching Supplies	2,393.91	1,395.00	1,275.00	Federal Monies	1,327.06	1,000.00	1,000.00
Contracted Services for instruction	456.00	560.00	550.00	District Monies	52.00	40.00	40.00
Other expenses of instruction	14.00	225.00	225.00	New Equipment	835.75	500.00	400.00
Attendance Officer:	10.00	10.00	10.00	Debt Service:			
Health Services:				Principal of Debt	7,000.00	7,000.00	14,700.00
Contracted services for Health	72.50	140.00	240.00	Interest on Debt	1,562.50	2,193.00	2,721.00
Supplies	14.83	25.00	25.00	Outgoing Transfer Accounts:			
Transportation	9,100.00	9,100.00	9,100.00	Tuition - Public Schools	56,339.60	67,555.00	61,380.00
Operation of School Plant:				District Share of Sup. Union Exp.	3,149.92	3,324.00	3,537.00
*Contracted Services	15.00	15.00	15.00	Other In-State Expenditures	695.66	732.00	816.00
Janitor's Salary	2,550.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	Tuition - non-public schools	306.00	307.00	800.00
Janitor's Supplies	662.11	600.00	700.00	Capital Outlay:			
Fuel	1,773.64	2,400.00	2,400.00	Sites	335.00		
Utilities	1,300.48	1,600.00	1,800.00	Buildings	1,050.00		
				Tax for State-Wide Supervision	640.00		
				TOTAL EXPENDITURES OR			
				SCHOOL APPROPRIATION	\$137,848.78	\$153,204.00	\$153,328.00

SOURCES OF EDUCATIONAL INCOME

	Income	Adopted Budget	Proposed Budget
	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66
Balance (actual or estimate)	\$ 5,755.01	\$ 7,352.74	\$ 12,000.00
State Aid—Foundation	29,177.10	34,005.08	25,000.00
School Building	2,100.00	1,875.30	4,410.00
Intellectually Retarded	830.26	850.00	1,000.00
Sweepstakes		7,648.17	6,000.00
Federal Aid—School Lunch or Milk	1,327.06	1,000.00	1,000.00
P.L. 874	11,485.00	9,000.00	6,000.00

As Of June 30, 1964

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Bonds outstanding	
Issued May 1, 1950	\$14,000.00
Issued April 1, 1957	\$30,000.00

Capital Reserve Fund	\$44,000.00
	1,495.17

Total Liabilities \$45,495.17

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Total Assets \$ 7,352.74

Net Debt - Liabilities over Assets \$38,142.43

	Income	Adopted Budget	Proposed Budget
	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66
Nat. Defense Ed. Act	497.11	250.00	300.00
Capital Reserve Fund	1,495.17		
Other	14.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 52,680.71	\$ 61,981.29	\$ 55,710.00
District Assessment	92,520.81	96,346.21	97,618.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED			
BY DISTRICT	\$137,852.92	\$155,904.00	\$153,328.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS			
(actual or estimate)	\$145,201.52		



First grade reading group at work

SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT

We expect to have only 200 pupils in Grades 1 through 7 next year. This is 20 pupils less than we planned for this year. Several large families have moved away from Stratham and have not as yet been replaced by new families with young children for public school. As a result, we plan to employ one less teacher next year and to have only one split class for the youngest children. This reduction in the teaching staff is somewhat of a gamble because our enrollment may jump up as fast as it has jumped down. This could produce overloading in some classrooms. The school board and the teachers are willing to accept this possibility and, in voting the proposed budget, the district must also be willing to accept the possibility of crowded classrooms next year.

We expect to have a budget surplus of about \$12,000 for this year. Tuition payments to Exeter will be about \$10,000 less than expected because of reduced enrollment and we have received about \$2,000 extra from the Sweepstakes. The voters of the District can decide how they want to use this surplus. It can be used in any one of the following ways or in a combination of these ways:

1. Use it wholly or in part to reduce next year's taxes.
2. Use part of it to prepay some of our debt, which after this year's payments will still total \$80,000. A warrant article suggests the prepayment of two serial notes each of which have

a face value of \$5,000.00. We pay 70 per cent of face value and the State pays 30 per cent of same. This would save the District \$325 per year in interest and it would reduce the principal payment demands for 1968 and 1969 by \$3,500 each year, these two years being the two highest years according to present schedules.

3. Use part of it to establish a public kindergarten in the District for next year. The warrant contains 2 articles pertaining to this. If the District approves of Article 5 for a study committee, action on Article 6 can be postponed until the committee makes its report to an adjourned meeting in June of this year.

Exeter and the towns who send tuition pupils to Exeter should consider the possibility of forming an Area School District according to a State Law passed in 1963 which will probably be amended and improved in this year's General Court. An Area School District is quite different from a Cooperative School District. Under the Area plan we would still pay tuition to Exeter, Exeter would receive a much higher percentage of State building aid, and if the law were to be correctly amended and fully supported by State funds our tuition costs would decrease. The planning committee from Stratham would meet with similar committees from the other towns.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

One addition and one replacement were necessary in the teaching staff this year. Mrs. Katherine Peabody replaced Mrs. Gladys Clements who retired after several years of faithful service. Miss Nancy Bartlett was employed as the additional teacher.

The teaching staff for 1964-1965 is as follows:

Mrs. Gwendlyn Allen, Principal, Grade 6
 Mrs. Judith Levis, Grade 1
 Mrs. Adeline Liberatore, Grade 2
 Miss Nancy Bartlett, Grades 1 and 2
 Mrs. Hilda Barker, Grade 3
 Mrs. Bertha Wiggins, Grade 4
 Mrs. Katherine Peabody, Grades 3 and 4
 Mrs. Marion Burwell, Grade 5
 Mrs. Marguerite Scamman, Grade 7
 Mrs. Eleanor Henry, Music
 Mrs. Regenia Matthews, Art
 Miss Mary Shea, Head School Nurse
 Miss Gemma Jean, Assistant School Nurse
 Mrs. Virginia Holder, Assistant School Nurse
 Mr. Harold Matava, Handwriting

Income from the State Foundation Aid and from Federal Aid under Public Law 874 continues to increase. In State Foundation Aid \$23,969.60 was received for 1962-1963; \$29,177.10, for 1963-1964; and \$34,005.08 has been received for 1964-1965.

Under Public Law 874 for 1962-1963, \$8,955.00 was the income in Federal Aid; for 1963-1964, \$11,485.00 was received and during 1964-1965 it is expected \$10,200.00 will be received.

Stratham has also received \$7,648.17 as its share of the Sweepstakes for this year.

The enrollment as of December 18 was as follows:

Grade 1	28	Grade 5	21
Grade 2	28	Grade 6	23
Grade 3	28	Grade 7	20
Grade 4	34		

This is a total enrollment of 182 as compared to 216 on a corresponding date last year or a decrease of 34 pupils.

The tuition rates for 1965-1966 as approved by the State Department of Education and announced by the Exeter School Board are as follows:

		State Average For 1965-1966
Senior High Students		
Estimated per pupil cost for 1964-1965	\$489.50	\$489.00
Rental charge	\$ 21.94	
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Tuition rate	\$510.00	

Junior High Students

Estimated per pupil cost
for 1964-1965
Rental charge

\$455.26

\$ 21.94

\$438.00

Tuition rate

\$475.00

The Supervisory Union Committee which was formed to study various arithmetic programs and to select one that could be used in all of the school districts in the Union has completed its work. The mathematics series which was selected has been widely adopted and successfully used in thousands of classrooms. It reflects much of the thinking and findings of leading educators and mathematicians over the past decade. It incorporates proven teaching techniques with the latest findings in learning theory, blending the best of the old with the exciting creative ideas of the new.

All of the first three grades are working with this program now, and it will be expanded to the intermediate grades in the near future. A workshop under the direction of Mr. Frederick King, Teacher Consultant, will be held soon in which teachers will have a chance to discuss any phases of the new program that need further explanation.

Public elementary schools will soon get a chance to look at themselves through a new State Department of Education publication, "GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS."

The three additional classrooms are very attractive and functional. Much credit should be given to the contractor and the building committee for completing this addition for use at the beginning of the new school year with practically no interference with the operation of the school.

The Hot Lunch program continues to be a quality program under the capable direction of Mrs. Naomi Bearisto and Mrs. Eleanor Senechal.

The contributions of the Parent-Teacher Association to the library and for playground equipment are greatly appreciated.

Again I wish to express my appreciation for the continued support of the citizens, the members of the School Board and the teachers.

January 15, 1965

Stratham, New Hampshire

Respectfully submitted,
RAYMOND A. HOYT
Superintendent of Schools

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS OF INTEREST

Superintendent's Salary 1963 - 1964

Exeter	\$ 5,878.40
East Kingston	296.42
Greenland	793.25
Kensington	379.93
Newfields	388.27
Stratham	613.73
State's Share	2,500.00
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	\$10,850.00

Teacher Consultant's Salary 1963 - 1964

Exeter	\$ 3,520.00
East Kingston	177.50
Greenland	475.00
Kensington	227.50
Newfields	232.50
Stratham	367.50
State's Share	2,500.00
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	\$ 7,500.00

STRATHAM PUPILS Total Enrollment January 1, 1965

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot.
Stratham Memorial	28	28	28	34	21	23	20	0	0	0	0	0	182
St. Michael's	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7
Emerson School	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Philips Exeter Academy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	4
Portsmouth High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Exeter Jr.-Sr. High	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	18	28	22	21	117
St. Thomas Aquinas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Supervisory Union Class													5
Great Bay Retarded School													1
Rockingham Retarded Class													1
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TOTALS	7	29	31	30	34	21	24	20	30	20	29	22	321
1964 Comparisons	7	35	37	35	28	29	23	36	24	34	25	25	358

SCHOOL STATISTICS For Ten Years Ending June 30, 1964

School Year	Weeks	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Ave. Attend.	Ave. Absence	Ave. Membership	Percent of Attend.	Cases Tardiness
1954-1955	38	60	74	134	115.2	6.9	122.1	94.30	40
1955-1956	38	49	66	115	106.0	6.9	112.9	94.00	14
1956-1957	38	66	75	141	124.4	6.8	131.2	94.5	49
1957-1958	38	86	103	189	154.2	8.9	163.1	94.5	69
1958-1959	38	85	93	178	154.1	7.9	162.0	95.1	45
1959-1960	38	98	79	177	157.3	8.4	165.7	94.9	64
1960-1961	38	103	83	186	162.2	5.3	167.5	97.4	54
1961-1962	38	116	82	198	171.9	8.6	180.5	95.2	67
1962-1963	38	121	101	222	182.4	7.3	189.7	96.1	77
1963-1964	38	122	110	232	199.0	9.8	208.8	95.3	59

TOWN OF STRATHAM MARRIAGES IN 1964

Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age	Color	Condition	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Jan. 31	John Patrick Buckley Nancy Eileen Merrill	21 16	W W	1 1	Lowell, Massachusetts Exeter, New Hampshire	Frederick Buckley Margaret I. Gill Leroy B. Merrill Lillian A. Campbell Harry D. Walker Clara R. Towle Erlon W. Merrill Ellen V. Corrigan Harry Darby Pauline Fitzgerald Ray J. Howland, Jr. Virginia Lesperance George Simpson Evelyn Durose Joseph M. Healey Grace R. O'Neil Ernest T. Wiggin, Sr. Eleanor W. Fisk Burleigh Fernald Miriam I. West Wesley S. Rutledge Betsey M. Young Albert F. Clarke Florence L. Dick Norman E. Marston Gertrude M. Durant Fred E. Towne Eunice M. Gallant Benjamin M. Gerkin, Sr. Marjorie O. Brestel Dougald C. Sewall Mary E. Chase Hollis A. Durant	Rev. Calvin Wright Minister Newmarket, N. H. Evelyn H. Zarnowski Justice of the Peace Exeter, N. H. Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H. Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H. Rev. Arthur H. Dunham Minister Taftville, Conn. Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H. Rev. Johnson N. Armitstead Minister Exeter, N. H. Rev. Carl O. Ebb Minister Dover, N. H. Rev. Arthur J. Kelliher
Mar. 23	Rodney Ernest Walker Mary Ellen Greenough	39 23	W W	2 2	Lancaster, N. H. Andover, Maine		
Mar. 28	Harry Patrick Darby Carol Christine Howland	20 18	W W	1 1	Exeter, New Hampshire Peabody, Massachusetts		
Apr. 4	George Charles Simpson, Jr. Joanne May Healey	22 19	W W	1 1	Pittsfield, Maine Lynn, Massachusetts		
June 6	Richard Henry Wiggin Miriam West Fernald	32 19	W W	1 1	Exeter, New Hampshire Mt. Kisco, New York		
June 19	Ronald Dennis Rutledge Sybil Elaine Clarke	20 19	W W	1 1	Reading, Massachusetts Melrose, Massachusetts		
Aug. 1	Norman Edward Marston, Jr. Margaret Ellen Towne	21 17	W W	1 1	Portsmouth, N. H. Exeter, New Hampshire		
Aug. 1	Benjamin Matthew Gerkin, Jr. Mary Louise Sewall	22 21	W W	1 1	Grafton, W. Va. Exeter, New Hampshire		

Aug. 14	John Hollis Durant Nancy Jean Andrews	20	W	1	Haverhill, Mass.	Audrey M. Swap	Roman Catholic Priest Exeter, N. H.
		17	W	1	Exeter, New Hampshire	George W. Andrews Beatrice M. Minnon Stephen H. MacRae	
Sept. 4	Stephen Harold MacRae Patricia Ann Gray	21	W	1	Ipswich, Mass.	Bessie G. Hammond	Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
		21	W	1	Beverly, Mass.	Elliott M. Gray Bernice A. Cullen Ernest O. Maillet	
Sept. 12	James Ernest Maillet Gail Sylvia Butterfield	23	W	1	Dover, New Hampshire	Mildred E. Paterson	Rev. John M. Smith Episcopal Church Priest Exeter, N. H.
		19	W	1	Manchester, N. H.	Waldo K. Butterfield Bertha E. Grout Charlie W. Herndon	
Oct. 13	James Robert Herndon Nancy Jane Wentworth	20	W	1	Knoxville, Tenn.	Dory Shannon	Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
		19	W	1	Exeter, New Hampshire	Francis W. Wentworth Winnifred R. Carter George J. Beaulieu	
Nov. 1	Norman George Beaulieu Patricia Jean Smith	37	W	1	Livermore Falls, Maine	Iramay Lebrasseur	Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.
		18	W	1	Lynn, Massachusetts	Emmett J. Smith Pauline C. Reagan Franklin R. Perry	
Nov. 21	Franklin Webster Perry Lucy Holmgren	21	W	1	Exeter, New Hampshire	Constance W. Gooch	Rev. George H. Booth Minister Exeter, N. H.
		20	W	1	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	Theodore Holmgren Virginia Stark Adolph J. Fronczak	
Nov. 28	Jerome Fronczak Rosalie Merle Humes	21	W	1	Cleveland, Ohio	Kathryne M. Muha	Rev. Walter F. Baniak Chaplain Portsmouth, N. H.
		19	W	1	Exeter, New Hampshire	Walter R. Humes Lillian M. Deacon	

NEW CITIZENS IN 1964

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Con.	Col.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 24	Portsmouth, N. H.	Steven P. Orlander	M	L	W	Loren P. Orlander	Evelyn M. Foley
Mar. 15	Exeter, N. H.	Kathryn Mary Rowe	F	L	W	Christopher T. Rowe	Joyce A. Barker
Mar. 28	Kittery, Maine	Mallory Darke Sewall	F	L	W	Stanley D. Sewall	Diane A. Blethen
Apr. 30	Portsmouth, N. H.	April Love Mundschenk	F	L	W	Manuel W. Mundschenk	June M. King
May 4	Beverly, Mass.	Kristina Jo Reid	F	L	W	Robert B. Reid	Mildred A. Hutt
May 26	Exeter, N. H.	Melody Ann Emond	F	L	W	Romeo A. Emond	Barbara L. McLane
June 11	Exeter, N. H.	Denise ——— Labonte	F	L	W	Lionel R. Labonte	Greta E. Dalrymple
June 13	Exeter, N. H.	Karl Michael Scamman	M	L	W	W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.	Stella D. Emanuel
June 13	Exeter, N. H.	Kirk Quentin Scamman	M	L	W	W. Douglas Scamman, Jr.	Stella D. Emanuel
June 27	Exeter, N. H.	————— Legard	M	L	W	E. Sargent Legard	Jane E. Cole
June 27	Exeter, N. H.	Eric Alan Sanderson	M	L	W	Rodney C. Sanderson, Jr.	Carla R. Quebec
July 3	Exeter, N. H.	Michael James Plouffe	M	L	W	Theodore J. Plouffe, Jr.	Anita M. Wells
Aug. 7	Exeter, N. H.	Susan Gayle Stevens	F	L	W	Gilbert A. Stevens	Roberta A. French
Aug. 15	Exeter, N. H.	John Henry Law	M	L	W	Paul E. Law	Georgiana M. Chase
Sept. 11	Exeter, N. H.	Roberta ——— Flad	F	L	W	Harry R. Flad	Patricia Stone
Sept. 27	Exeter, N. H.	Thomas Edward French	M	L	W	Arthur L. French	Lucille C. Jette
Sept. 28	Portsmouth, N. H.	Colleen Ann Duggan	F	L	W	Arthur L. Duggan	Louise R. Ziegler
Oct. 16	Exeter, N. H.	Susan Ann Brady	F	L	W	Francis J. Brady	Sandra A. Bartlett
Nov. 8	Exeter, N. H.	Keith Alan Melanson	M	L	W	Robert E. Melanson	Carol J. Clark
Nov. 29	Exeter, N. H.	Denise Ann Demers	F	L	W	Leo R. Demers	Doris I. Baker
Dec. 28	Exeter, N. H.	Frank Lester Eldredge, Jr.	M	L	W	Frank L. Eldredge, Sr.	Christine A. St. Laurent



NEIGHBORS WE LOST

Date of Death	Name & Surname of Deceased	Age	Sex	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
May 30	Walter Louis Worth	70	M	Orange, Massachusetts	James P. Worth	Lavina Hover
June 11	George Edward Crosby	77	M	Bear River, Nova Scotia	Lendley Crosby	Sarah Isle
June 25	Edward Randell Harlow	77	M	Portland, Maine	Edward Harlow	Nellie Patterson
June 29	Robert S. Kinniburgh	70	M	Lowell, Massachusetts	Matthew Kinniburgh	Agnes Sloan
Aug. 18	Eldeine Marguerite Kinniburgh	69	F	Winthrop, Massachusetts	Welcome G. Young	Mabel Wheelock
Sept. 14	Edwin Albert Wiggan	85	M	Stratham, New Hampshire	Albert Wiggan	Eliza Cate
Dec. 19	Grace R. Humes	83	F	Brentwood, New Hampshire	William Rounds	Lillian Chase

